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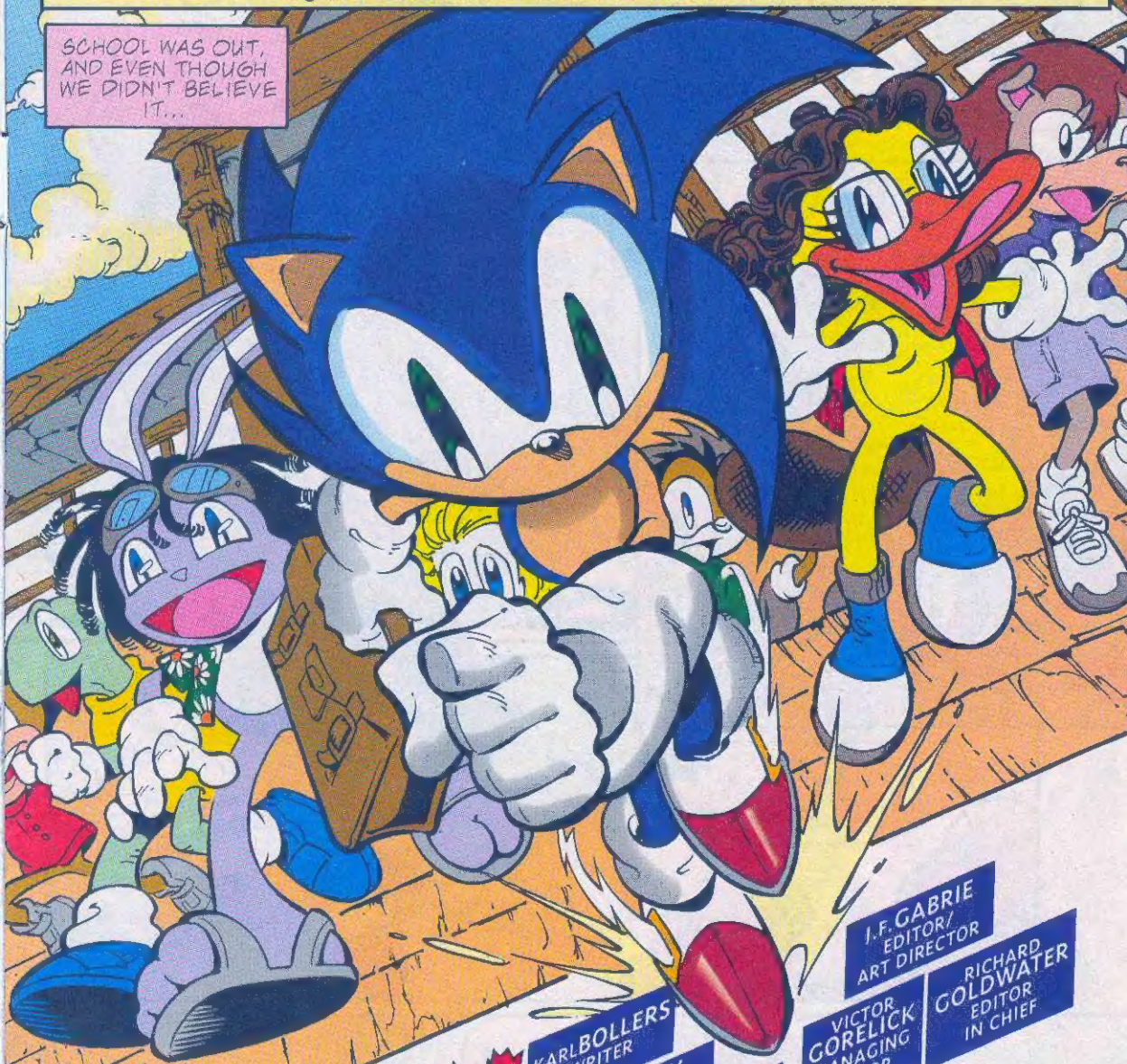
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THE HEDGEHOG



After ten long years, the iron-fisted rule of DOCTOR ROBOTNIK over planet MOBIUS was believed to have finally ended! With the technological tyrant vanquished and his polluted factories shut down, order and beauty were restored to the city of MOBOTROPOLIS. Now the villain has returned to wreak havoc once more, but there are many who are willing to stand against him in the fight for freedom. The bravest among them is a brash, blue streak who just happens to be the fastest thing alive! ARCHIE COMICS AND SEGA PRESENT... SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!

SCHOOL WAS OUT,
AND EVEN THOUGH
WE DIDN'T BELIEVE
IT...



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WE'D SOMEHOW
MANAGED TO
SURVIVE DAY ONE.

BUT AFTER FACING DOWN
ROBOTNIK FOR THE PAST
TEN YEARS...

HOW COULD
ANYTHING ELSE
EVER MEASURE
UP?

NOT THAT I
DIDN'T HAVE
MY FAIR
SHARE OF--

HALT,
HEDGEHOG!

--PROBLEMS.

STATE
YOUR BUSINESS,
BOY!

I'M HERE TO
SEE PRINCESS
SALLY.

WELL, THEN
SCHEDULE AN
APPOINTMENT.

SHE IS
ROYALTY, YOU
KNOW!

GEOFFREY
ST. JOHN
RANKED
HIGH ON MY
LIST OF 'EM...

...BUT THE EGGMAN STILL HELD THE TOP-SPOT.

WHA?! I DON'T BELIEVE IT!

WHADDYA KNOW, BRO? YOU CALLED IT!

THAT CURFEW-BREAKER WAS MY IRASCIBLE NEPHEW!

SNIVELY! IT'S BEEN OVER TEN YEARS, SON! HOW'VE YOU BEEN?

AS WELL AS CAN BE EXPECTED, FATHER!

THIS IS LADY AGNES MY MOTHER-IN-LAW, AND YOUR STEPSISTER--

I KNOW. HOPE. UNCLE JULIAN HAS ALREADY BRIEFED ME.

SON, WHAT ON MOBIUS HAPPENED TO YOUR HAIR?

MALE PATTERN BALDNESS--ONLY AFFECTS THE FAMILY INTELLECTUALS, YOU KNOW...

A FEW BLOCKS AWAY...

EEEEEEK!

RRAARRGHH! THE SWORD--WHERE IS IT?! LOST ITS SCENT!!

BIO-DESIGNATE:
CARNIVORE/UNKNOWN
--DESIST AND
SURRENDER.

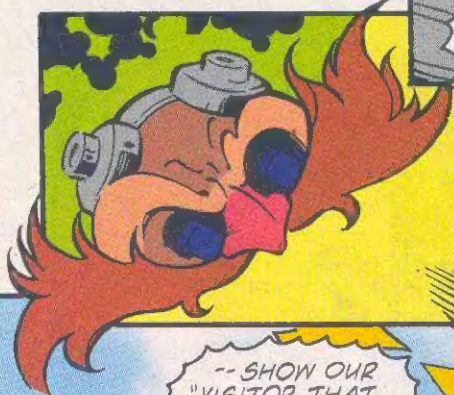
RAARGH?



RAAARGH!

KODOS.

CALLING ALL
PROTECTOR-BOTS
WITHIN GRID-
SECTION R-37--



-- SHOW OUR
"VISITOR THAT
ROBOTROPOLIS
HAS A NO-FUR
POLICY!



IT
FLED THE
CITY!

HOORAY
FOR LORD
TULIAN!



LOOKING BACK, WHEN I
FOUND TAILS' BOOKBAG
AND NO SIGN O' TAILS...

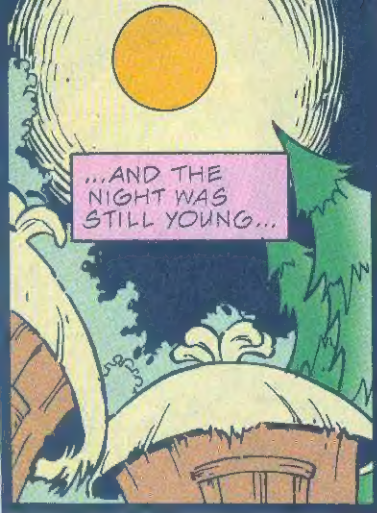
...I SHOULD'VE
KNOWN SOME-
THING WAS UP.

INSTEAD, I
JUST THOUGHT
I'D SAVED HIM
A HEADACHE.

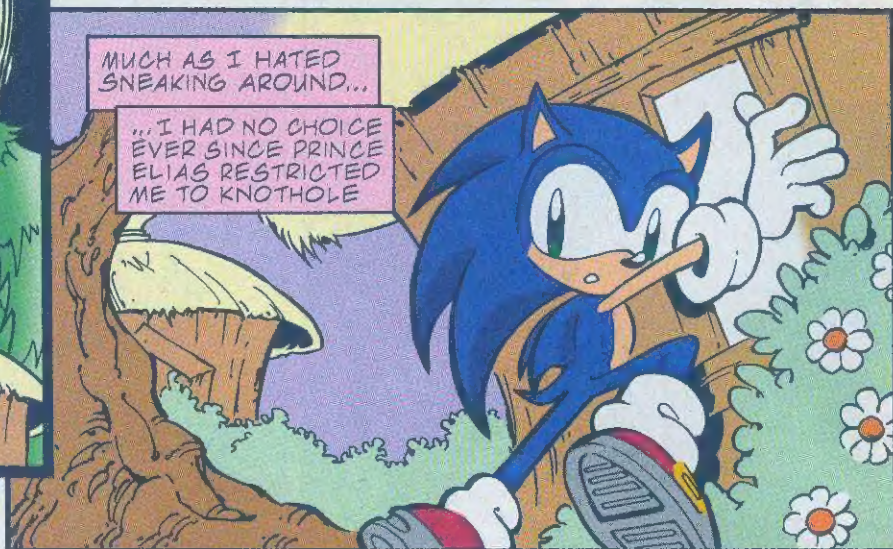
EDUCATIONAL.

HEY THERE,
SON! HOW WAS
SCHOOL?

I REALLY
LEARNED
SOMETHING
NEW TODAY...

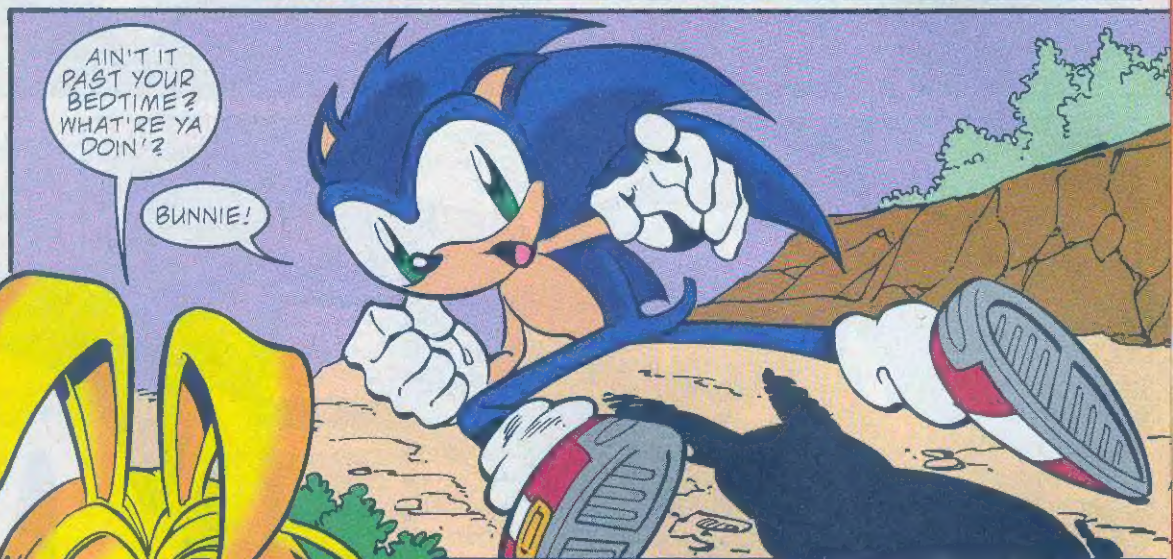


...AND THE NIGHT WAS STILL YOUNG...



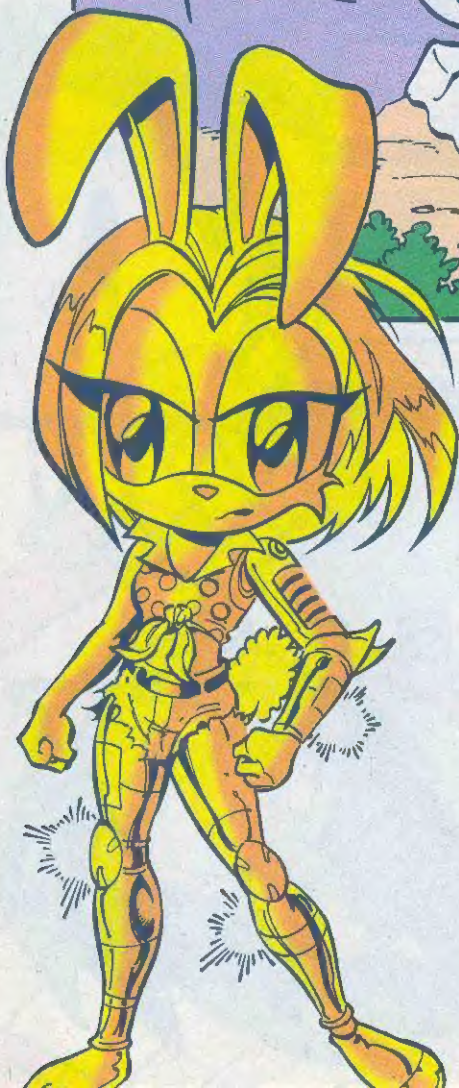
MUCH AS I HATED SNEAKING AROUND...

...I HAD NO CHOICE EVER SINCE PRINCE ELIAS RESTRICTED ME TO KNOTHOLE



AIN'T IT PAST YOUR BEDTIME? WHAT'RE YA DOIN'?

BUNNIE!

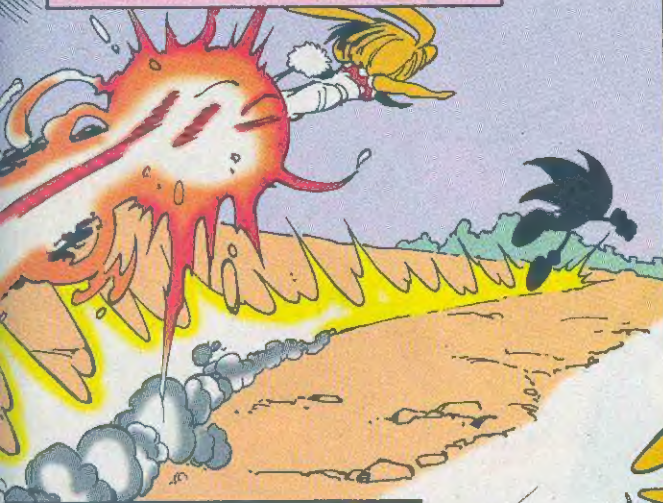


I'M STAGING A RESCUE MISSION TO SAVE THOSE OVERLANDERS WHO CRASH-LANDED FROM ROBOTNIK OR HE'LL ROBOTICIZE 'EM!

THAT'S DOWNRIGHT KUH-RAYZEE, SUGAH! 'NUFF TO WARRANT YA SOME SERIOUS BACK-UP-- WELL, HERE AH AM!

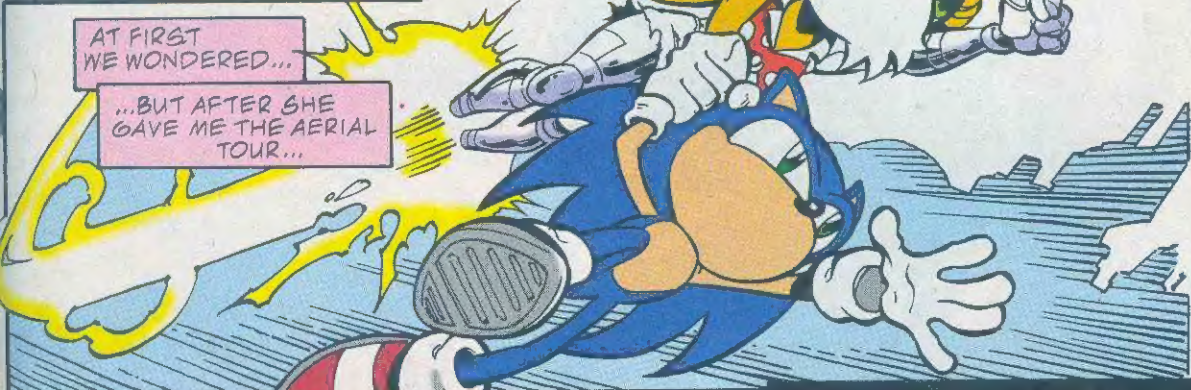


I HAD NO BEEF--BUNNIE COULD
HANDLE HERSELF. SHE WAS
PRETTY MUCH BIONIC, NO THANKS
TO "BUTT"NIK.



AT FIRST
WE WONDERED...

...BUT AFTER SHE
GAVE ME THE AERIAL
TOUR...

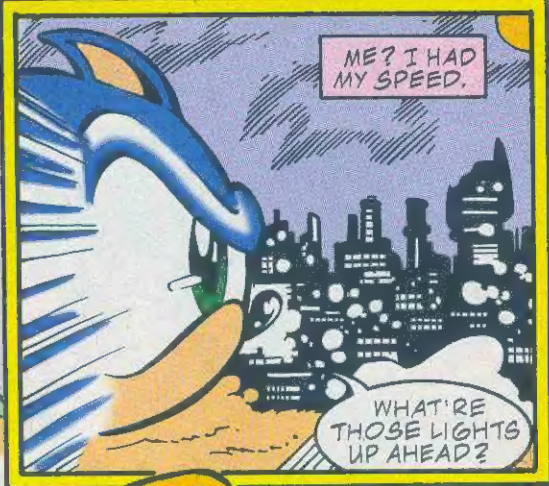


...WE BOTH KNEW WHAT
WAS UP, THOUGH IT DIDN'T
COMPUTE.



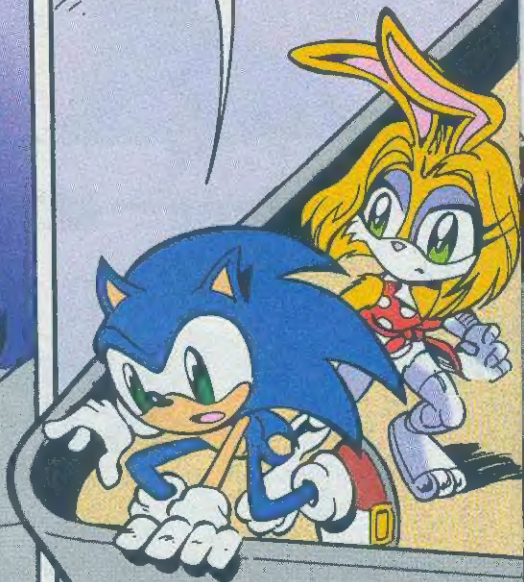
ME? I HAD
MY SPEED.

WHAT'RE
THOSE LIGHTS
UP AHEAD?



OVAHLANDUHS'RE
ALL UP IN HERE--REAL
COZY-LIKE, TOO.

WHY HAVEN'T
THEY BEEN TURNED
INTO ROBOT-
SLAVES?



BUNNIE THOUGHT
THE DOC HAD GONE
SOFT.

YEAH, AND
SALLY'S GONNA
START DATIN'
GEOFFREY.

NO
CALL FER
SASS.

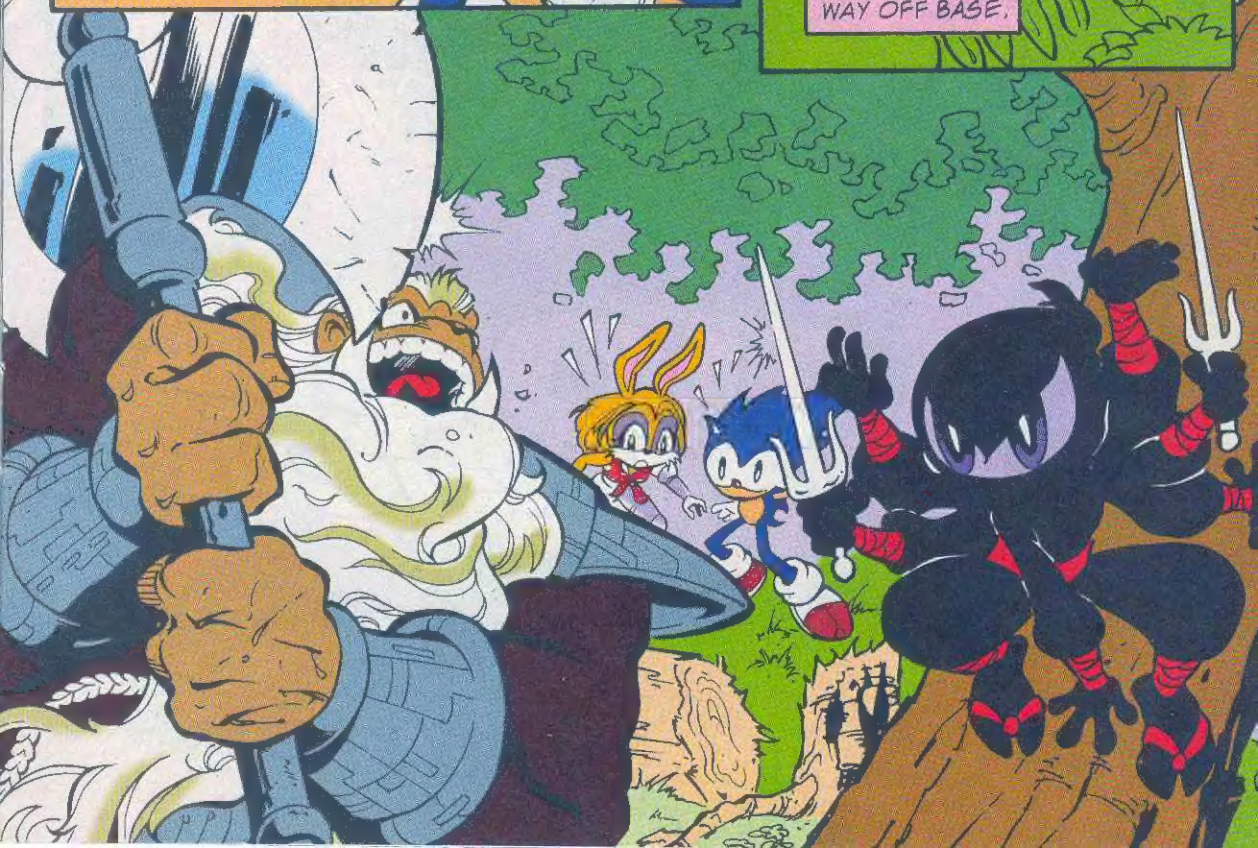
THEN WE HEARD
SOMETHING UP AHEAD.

SOUNDED
LIKE A TREE
FALLING! I'LL
BET ROBOTNIK'S
INVOLVED!

BOY, YOU
SURE HATE 'IM,
HUH?

DON'T GET
ME STARTED.

BUT I WAS
WAY OFF BASE.





RAAARGHH!
SO-WUUUURD!

ENEMY MINE

PART TWO

WAY
OFF.

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KODOS AND
ARACHNIS ~ EITHER
THIS IS SOME NEW
KIND OF 'TOUGH
LOVE', OR THEY'RE
TRYING TO WHACK
EACH OTHER!

IT DIDN'T
MAKE A
WHOLE
LOTTA
SENSE.

THEY'D ALWAYS BEEN
PRETTY TIGHT

YOU
-yowwwwwwww-
REQUESTED MY
PRESENCE,
SIR?

YES... I'M SURE YOU'VE
WONDERED WHY I HAVEN'T
ROBOTICIZED EVERYONE
IN THE CITY YET.

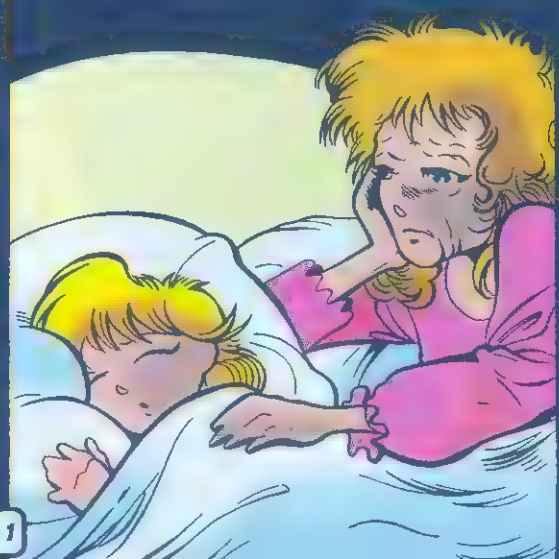
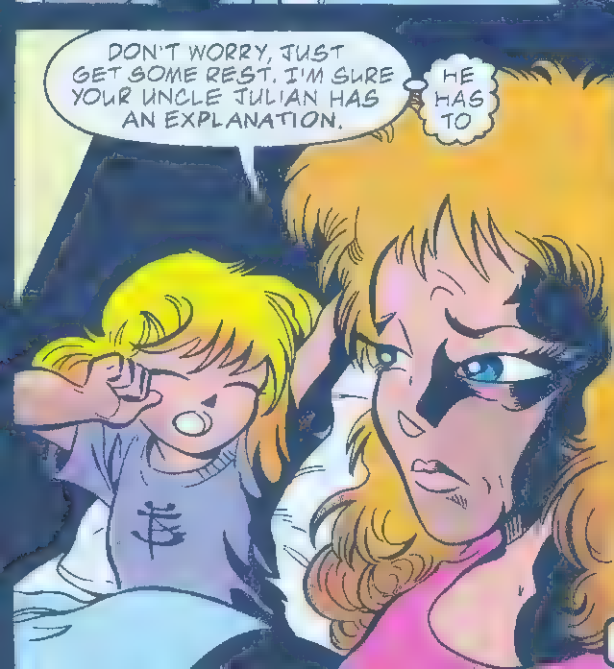
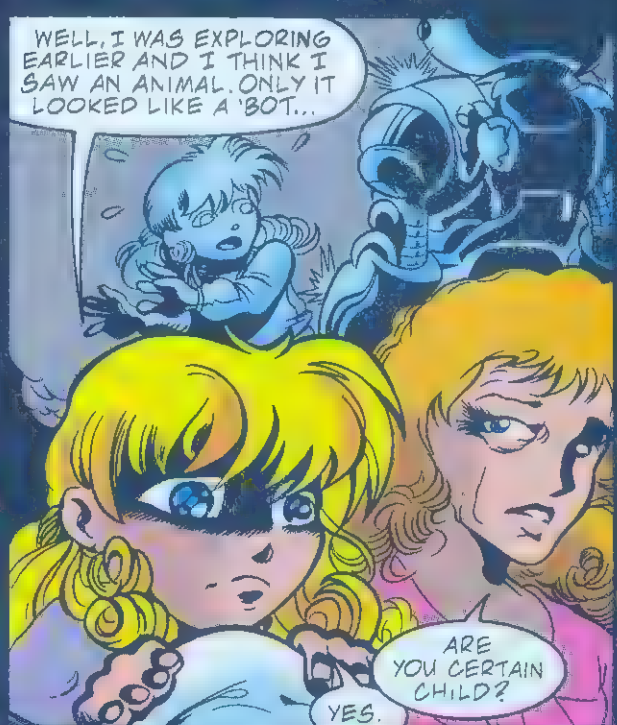
THE THOUGHT
DID CROSS MY MIND...
BEFORE I WENT TO
BED.

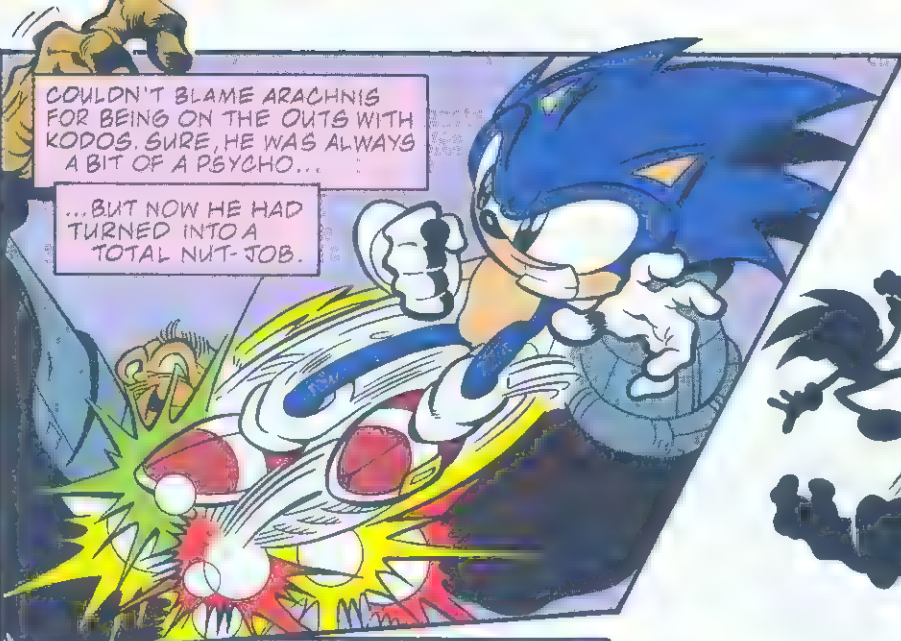
WELL, MUSE
NO LONGER!
BEHOLD!

DON'T YOU
AGREE THAT
THIS WILL BE A
FAR MORE
INNOVATIVE
USE FOR OUR
OVERLY EXTENDED
FAMILY?

THERE
THERE... I KNOW
I KNOW.

IT'S GENIUS SIR.
SIMPLY GENIUS.





COULDN'T BLAME ARACHNIS
FOR BEING ON THE OUTS WITH
KODOS. SURE, HE WAS ALWAYS
A BIT OF A PSYCHO...

...BUT NOW HE HAD
TURNED INTO A
TOTAL NUT-JOB.



RAAARR--!



AH'M NO DOCTUH,
BUT AH TH NK TH.S
ONE'S FLOWN OVAH
THE CUCKOO'S
NES--

--WHA?!

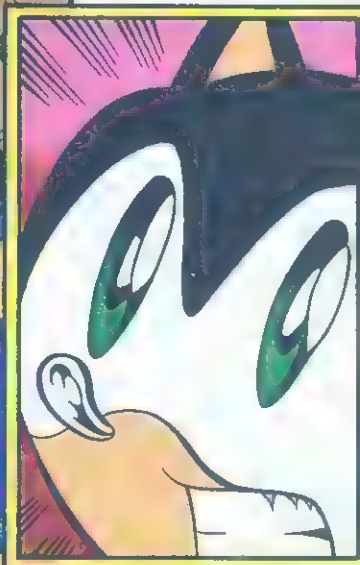


FLOWN, BUT NOT TOO FAR--
HE PRETENDED TO BE OUT
COLD SO AS TO GET THE
JUMP ON BUNNIE.

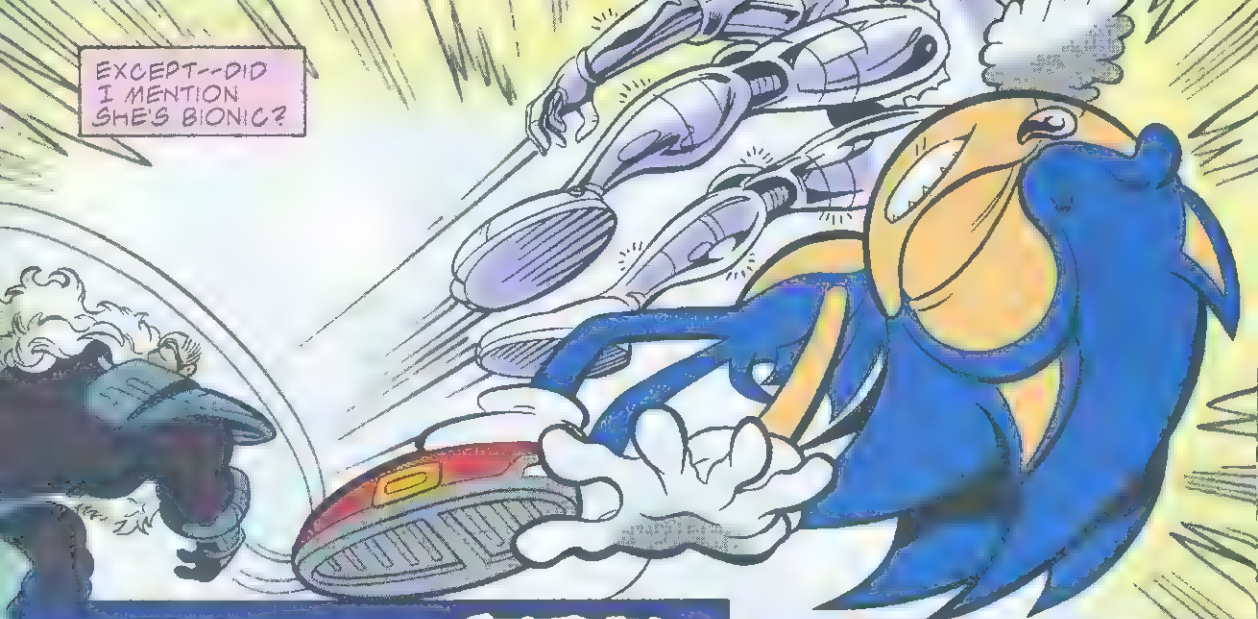
RAAARGHH!



IT WAS LIKE
SEEING KING
MAX ALL OVER
AGAIN.



EXCEPT--DID
I MENTION
SHE'S BIONIC?



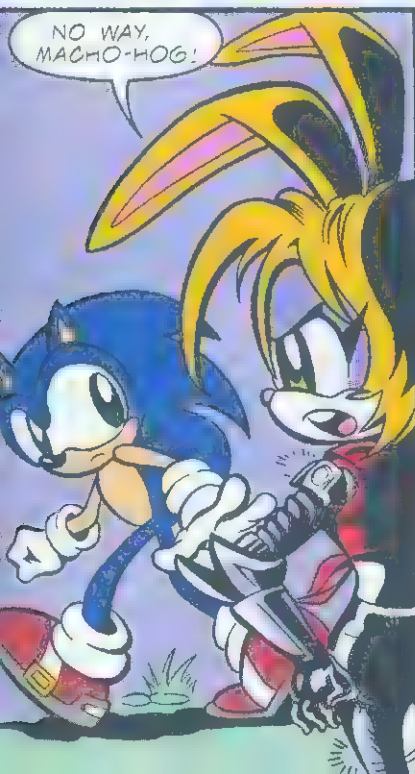
SO-WHUUURD?



THAT'S IT. BACK
TO KNOTHOLE. I'LL
HANDLE THIS.



NO WAY,
MACHO-HOG!



GO!



SHOULDN'T HAVE BUGGED
OUT ON BUNN E - KE THAT...



...BUT THIS TIME, KODOS
WAS WAAAY UNPREDICTABLE.
IT LL TAKE SPEED TO BEAT
'IM.

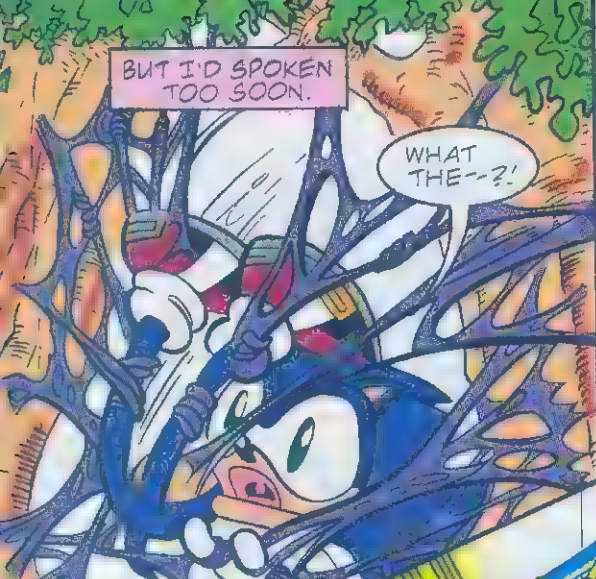
WOULD IT
BE ENOUGH,
THOUGH?

I KNELT TO EXAMINE
SOME OF ARACHNIS'
LEFTOVERS - K--SHE'D
BEEN THERE RECENTLY.

KODOS WAS
OBVIOUSLY
AFTER HER,
BUT WHY?

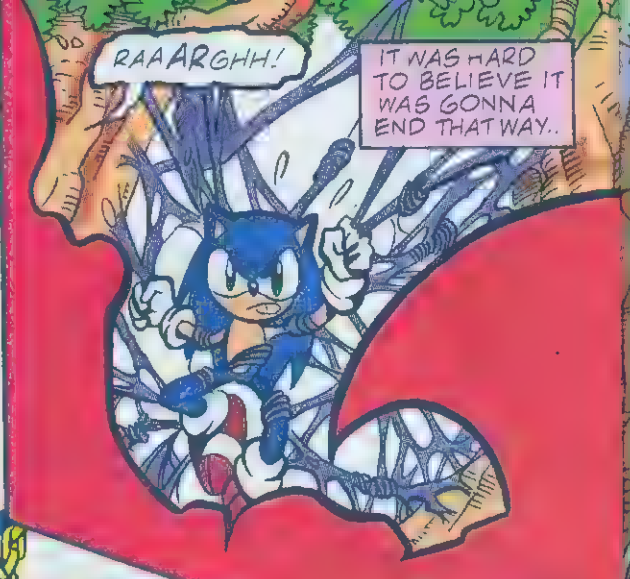
DJH! EXCEPT
T'S AN AXE DUDE,
BUT THANKS FOR
THE--

RAAARGHH!
SO-WUUUURD!



BUT I'D SPOKEN TOO SOON.

WHAT THE--?!



RAAARGHH!

IT WAS HARD TO BELIEVE IT WAS GONNA END THAT WAY..



RAAARGHH?

...BUT, THANKS TO ARACHNIDS, I DIDN'T

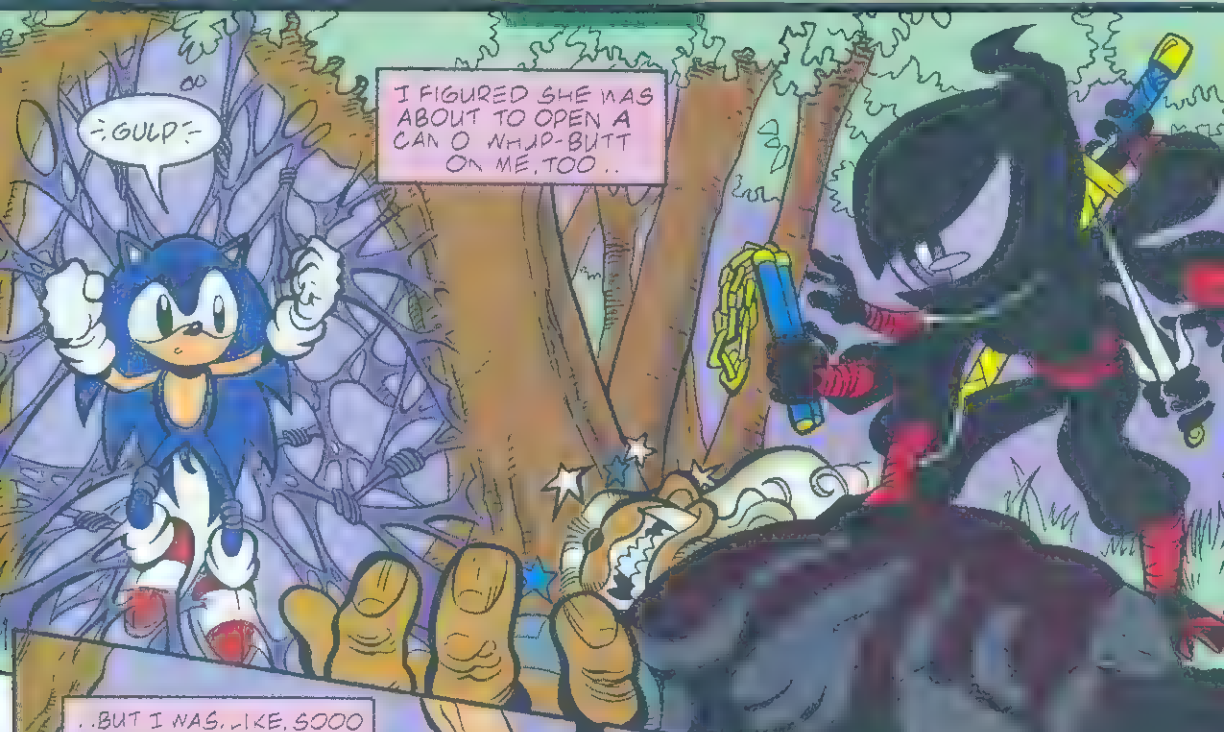


OH, MAN...

...THAT'S GOTTA HURT!

POW
BIFF
CHUD

WHAK
SMACK
KLOK

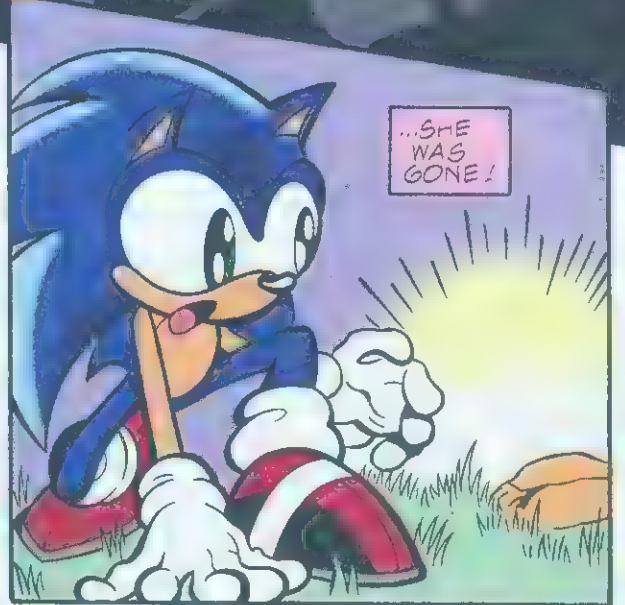


I FIGURED SHE WAS ABOUT TO OPEN A CAN O' WHAP-BUTT ON ME, TOO...

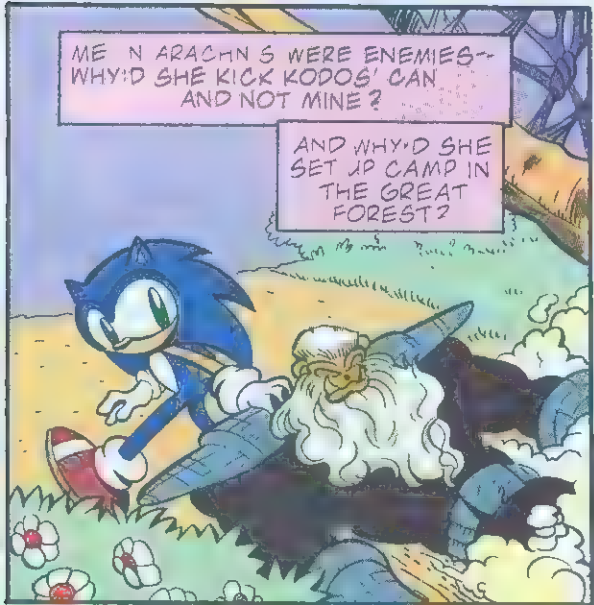
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...BUT I WAS, LIKE, SOOO WRONG, AND BEFORE I COULD THANK 'ER...

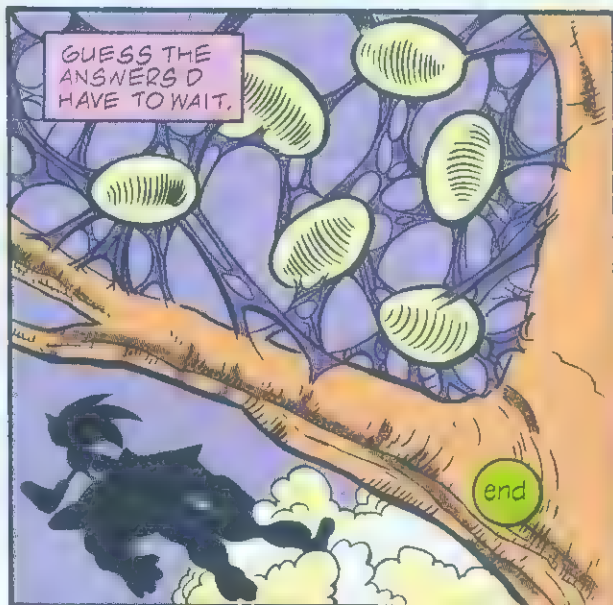


...SHE WAS GONE!



ME N ARACHN S WERE ENEMIES~ WHY'D SHE KICK KODOS' CAN AND NOT MINE?

AND WHY'D SHE SET UP CAMP IN THE GREAT FOREST?



GUESS THE ANSWERS'D HAVE TO WAIT.

end

Born to the most noble of Echidna houses, the latest to continue the family heritage and responsibility as Guardian of The Floating Island, defender of all against the forces of evil from the world beyond as well as those who would threaten from within!

ARCHIE COMICS AND SEGA PRESENT... KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA!

ON A LONELY MOUNTAINTOP ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WORLD, WE FIND

KNUCKLES

WONDERING WHAT HE HAS DONE TO DESERVE THIS--

HAVING SUFFERED THE LOSS OF HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS, HE HAS EVOLVED INTO SOMETHING--DIFFERENT--

--AND NOW FEELS AS IF HE IS GOING INTO OVERLOAD...

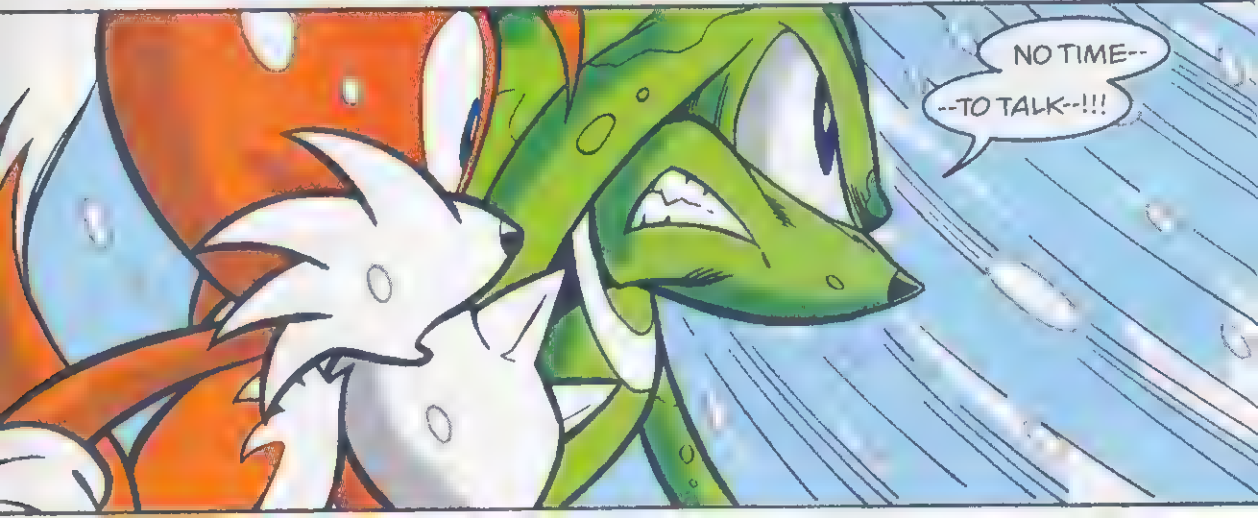
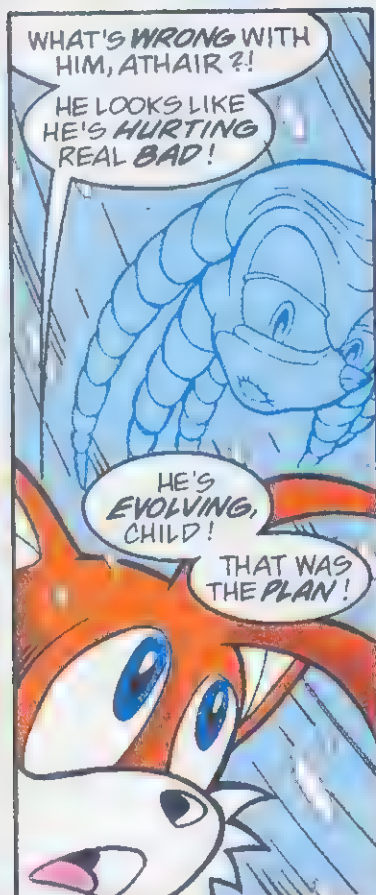
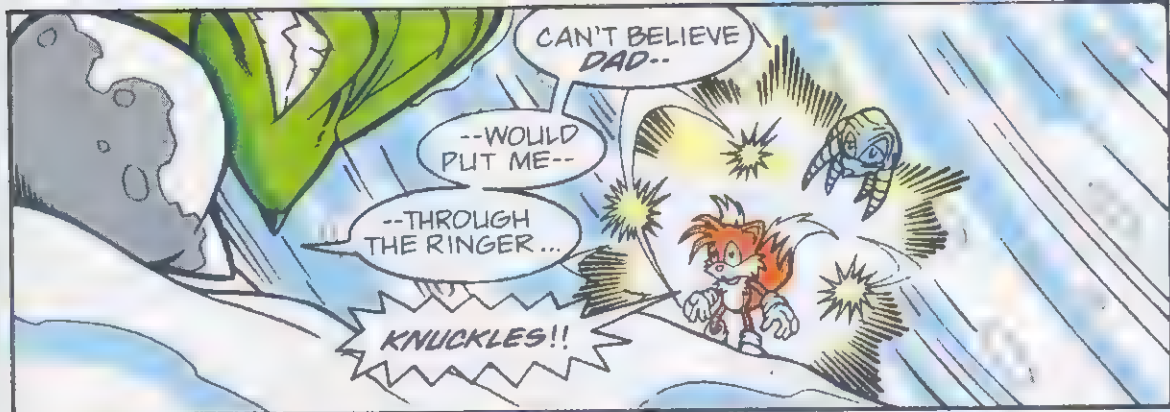
MY INSIDES!!!

TEARING ME APART--!!

WISH I KNEW--
WHAT'S HAPPENING
TO ME--!!!

WHEN
DESTINY
CALLS

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BEFORE THE YOUNG FOX CAN REACT, THE PAIN-WRACKED ECHIDNA UNLEASHES A TIDAL WAVE OF RAW ENERGY FROM WITHIN HIS VERY BEING...

DON'T WORRY, CHILD!

I'LL PROTECT YOU!

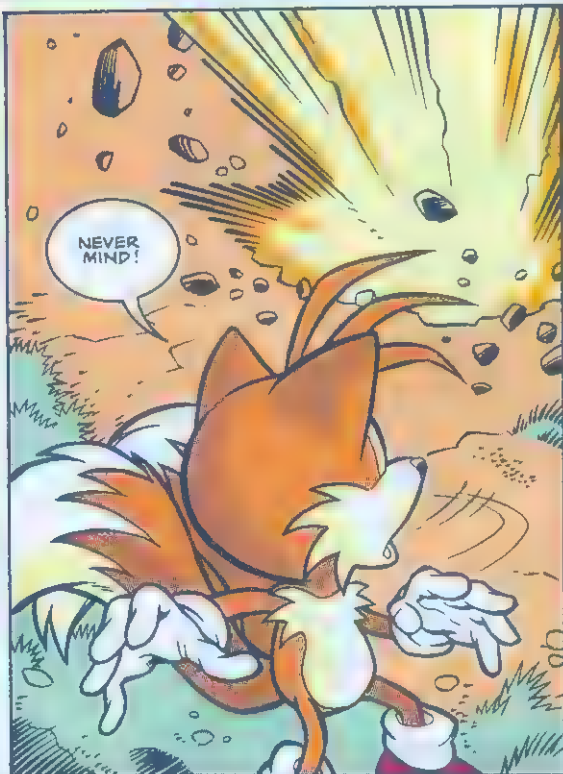
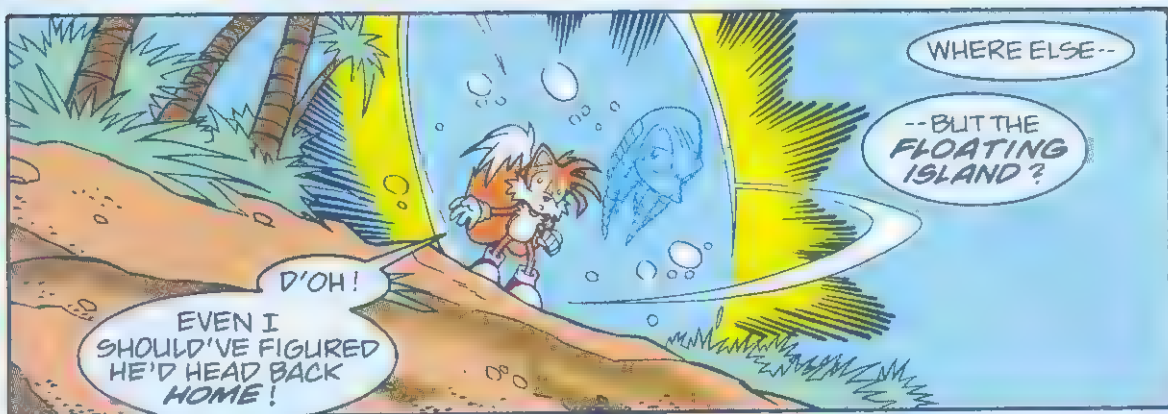
AARRRGH!
WH
WH
WH!

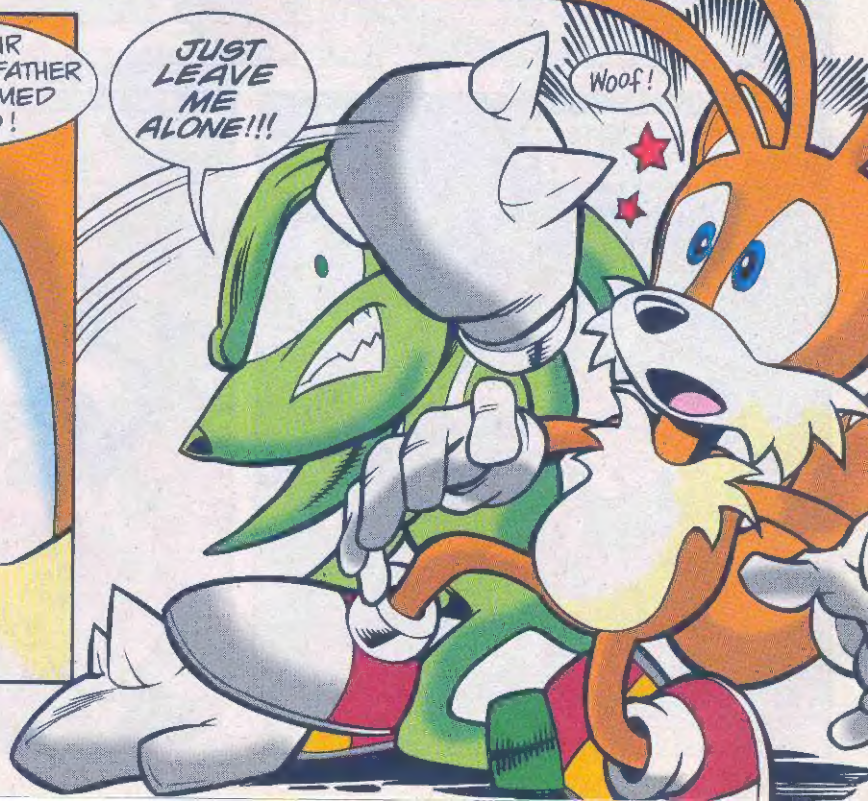
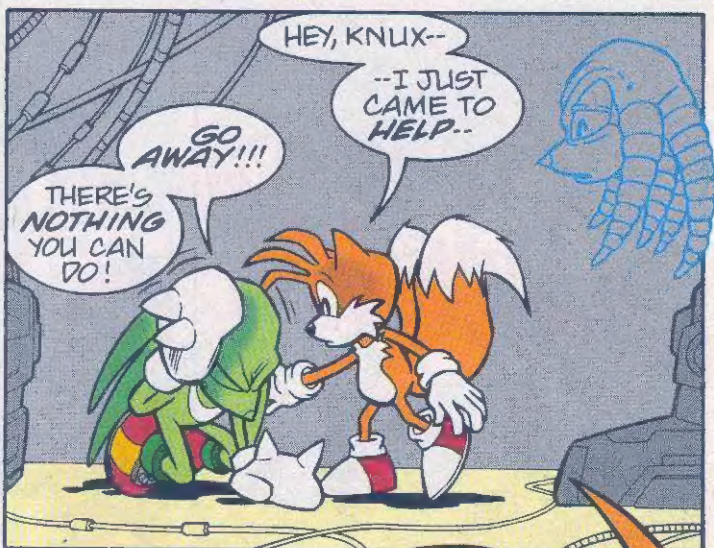
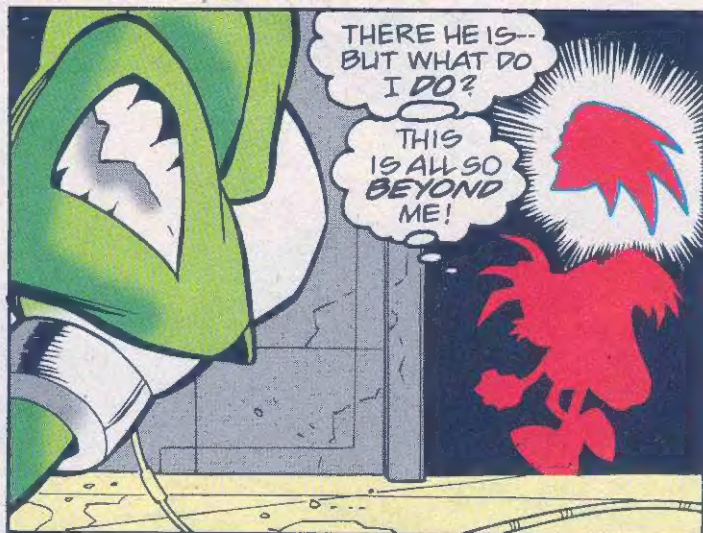
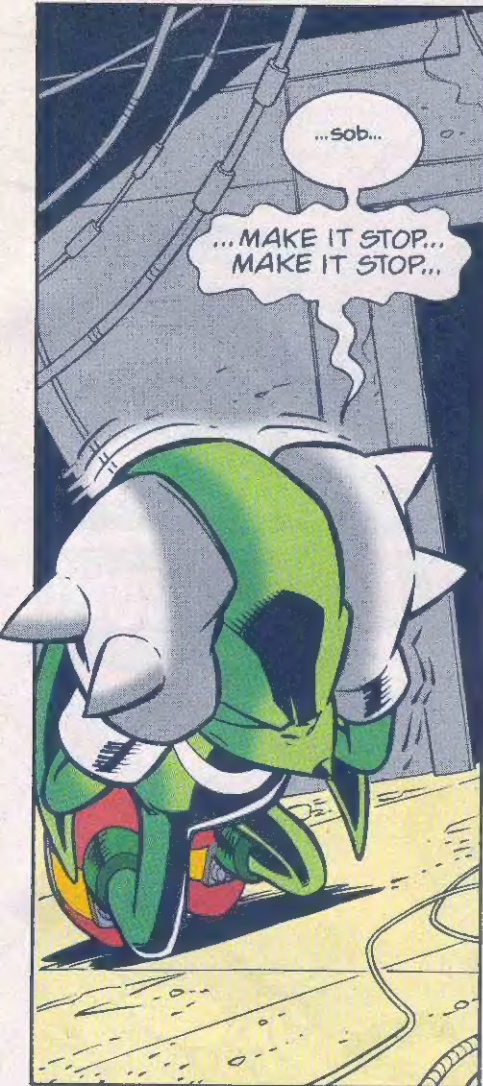
BUT WHAT ABOUT KNUCKLES?!!

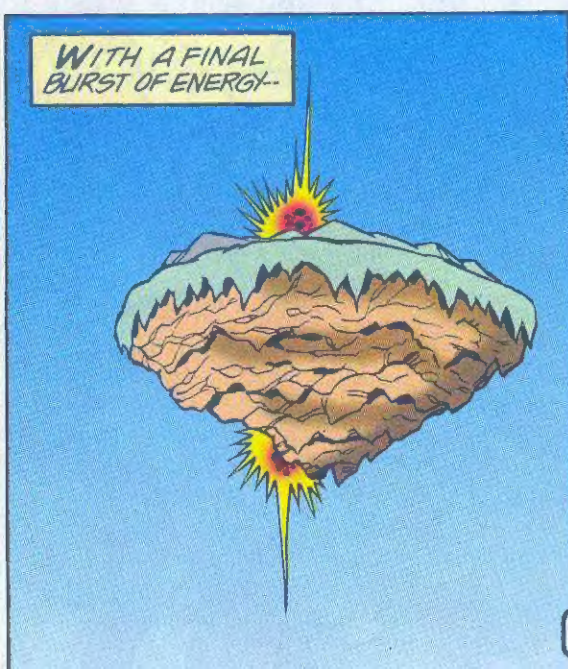
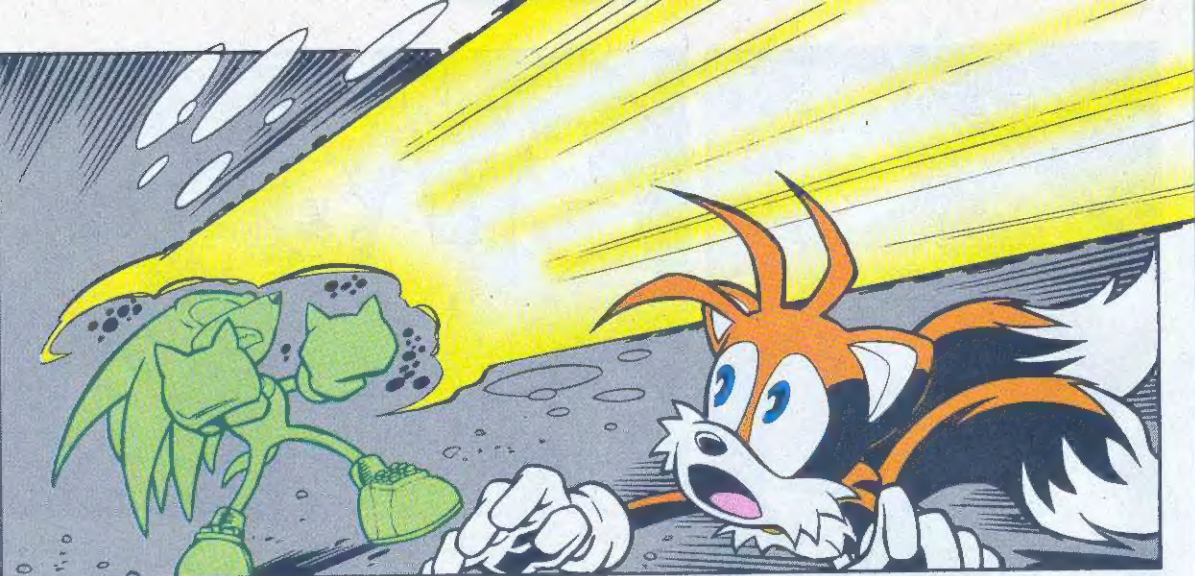
WORRY NOT FOR HIM-- BUT RATHER YOURSELF!

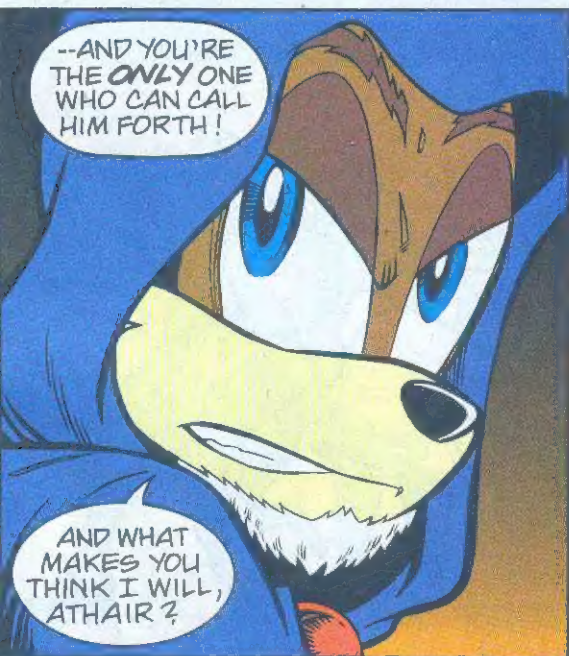
KEEP YOUR EYES SHIELDED LEST YOU GO BLIND!

JUST LIKE THAT-- IT'S OVER!!
KNUCKLES-- WHERE'D HE GO?!!!





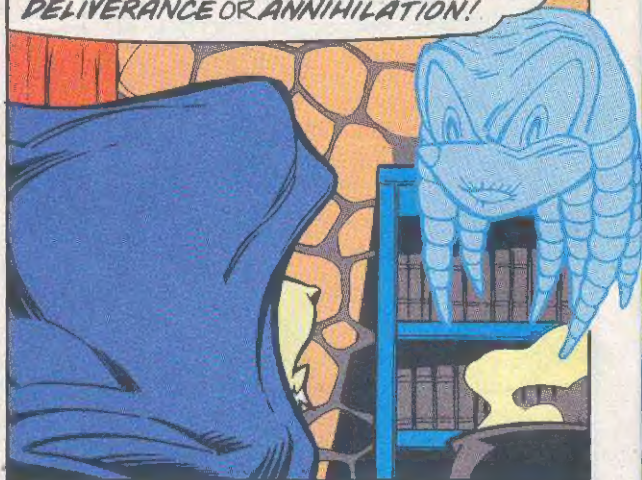




AGREED!
THAT TASK WAS
ASSIGNED TO
KNUCKLES!

BUT UNFORESEEN
EVENTS HAVE
ALTERED THE LIFE
EQUATION--

--AND NOW ONLY YOUR YOUNGEST NEPHEW
MAY BE ALL THAT STANDS BETWEEN
DELIVERANCE OR ANNIHILATION!



HOW CAN ONE YOUNG FOX ACHIEVE THAT
WHICH THE ANCIENT WALKERS CANNOT?

THE
VERY CONCEPT
STAGGERS THE
IMAGINATION!

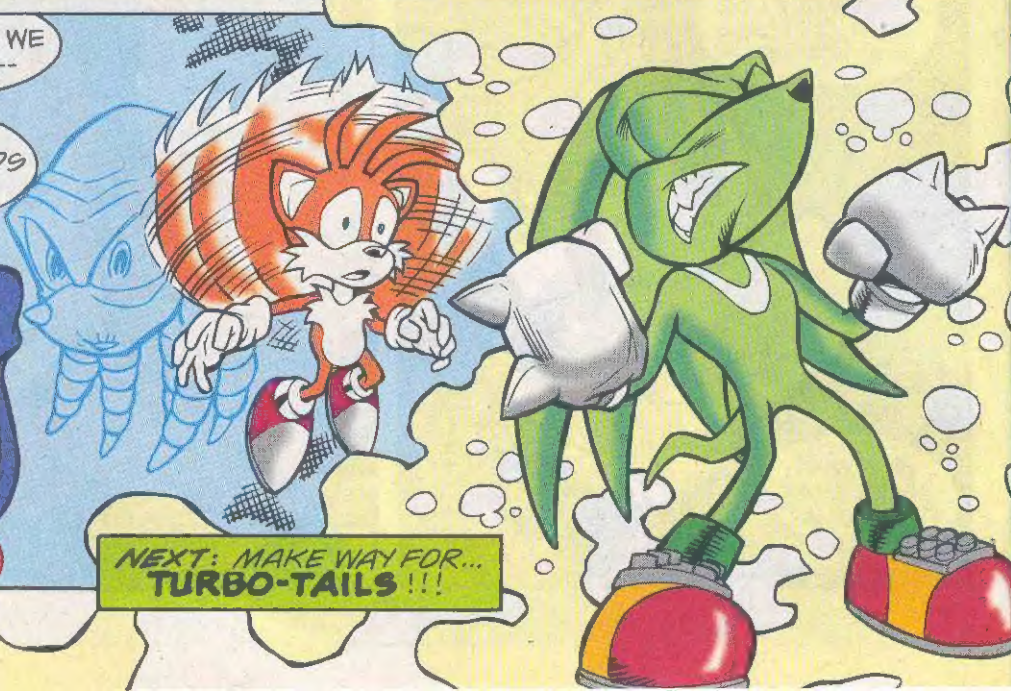
BECAUSE THEY
ARE DYING--

--AND I
AM INCAPABLE
WITHOUT HIM!



AND UNLESS WE
ACT SOON--

--WORLDS
UPON WORLDS
SHALL FALL!



NEXT: MAKE WAY FOR...
TURBO-TAILS !!!